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MICHIGAN AFFAIRS.

There is an earnest effort about to be made to secure a union depot for Bay City. There is quite a boom in the building of residences in East Saginaw this season. Clinton County marketed 13,879 bushels of wheat at six elevators in the county month. The Adjutant-General has issued the final order for the encampment of State troops at Mackinac. Peaches and other fruit in Jackson

Two elevators, each capable of storing 9000 bushels of wheat, are to be erected at St. Ignace.

Peach buds in Pulaski, Jackson County are reported to have passed the winter without injurious effects.

The Bay County Agricultural Society decide upon the location of their fair grounds at their April meeting.

Twenty-five years in the penitentiary sentence of William Gallagher, member of a gang of burglars at Jackson.

-Ex-Supt. McElroy, of the State School for the Blind, has received a flattering offer to take charge of the Illinois State Institute for the Blind.

-The ice is all out of Grand River on rapids, and is moving all along the river from Jackson to Grand Haven. No jam this year.

-Dr. A. C. Barry, for years a prominent Universalist minister in Michigan, and from

to 1888 superintendent of a public institution, died recently at Lodi.

—Railroad Commissioner Rich has issued an order for the use of the Dowling automatic car coupler on Michigan railroads. This makes nine patent couplers in use in this State.

—One of the Jackson public schools was missed recently on account of an obstruction in the sewer; it was feared that sewer-gas might accumulate in the building and injure the pupils.

—Apples are scarce in Jackson. A gentleman said that he went to six grocery-

The meeting held at Concord, Jackson county, to form an agricultural and sale society, was attended by about thirty gentlemen. A temporary organization was organized with Col. H. C. Hodge as Chairman, and A. W. Mason, Secretary. It was decided to organize a society to be known as the Union Agricultural Society, with 100 shares at \$10 each, embracing the townships of Concord, Pulaski, Homer, Albion,

A gas-fitter in the employ of the Jacksonville Gaslight and Fuel Company named George Briggs was overcome by gas recently. He was at work in Dr. Robinson's dental office, connecting the pipes with those in Devlin's Business College, and, after sending his helper up-stairs to steady the pipes, got on the top shelf of a closet, where he attempted to make a connection with the main pipe without shutting off the gas. The room being a small one, enough gas had soon escaped to put him to sleep. He is now in the hospital.

"Cop" is the name of a large St. Bernard dog who several months ago joined the Alpens fire company, says a veracompens paper. He is 18 months old and weighs 190 pounds, but, notwithstanding tender years and limited experience, is becoming an acting member of the company. At the recent fire in that town actions were particularly noticeable, showing the firemen into and through the

—Ex-Senator Jones, of Florida, attended the bar meeting in Detroit which adopted resolutions on the death of Chief Justice Taft, and at which special addresses were made by some of the leading lawyers of the city. After several had spoken, Mr. Jones arose, and amid the most profound silence, spoke at some little length, aston-

ing the gathering with the eloquence of manner as much as his words. In view of the sensational reports about the Senator being off his mental balance, his address attracted considerable attention. It was noticed that his personal appearance was considerably improved, and the lobby gentility was almost forgotten as proceeded. It made his hearers half inclined to believe the ex-Senator's oft-made declaration that he was the victim of political conspiracy, and that he had truly suffered as he asserts. His address Chief of Justice Waite was voted one of best made at the meeting.

The committee appointed to select a permanent site for the Big Rapids District camp-meeting have decided to secure funds near Reed City, that enterprising man having offered to donate \$700 toward releasing the required real estate.

There is between 60,000,000 and 100,000,000 feet of logs in Au Gres River at least for different parties, awaiting the tide." The indications now are that breaking-up of the logging camps will not take place.